Power Generation Cost in the Country

† 2589. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH LALAN':

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment regarding power generation cost in the country;

(b) if so, what has been the average power generation cost in the Thermal, Hydel and Nuclear Power Sectors during the year 2000-2001, seperately; and

(c) the total percentage of power generation in the country by each of the above sectors during the said year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The average cost of generation of various States for thermal power projects and hydro projects for the year 2000-2001 is given in the enclosed Statement *(See* below). The average cost of generation from Nuclear Plants is 238 paisc/kwh.

(c) The percentage of power generation in utilities of Thermal Hydel and Nuclear Sector of the country during the year 2000-2001 are 81.7% (408139 m.u.), 14.9% (74481 m.u.) and 3.4% (16928 m.u.) respectively of the All India Generation of 499548 m.u.

Statement

Cost of Power Generation of Various SEBs, for the year 2000-2001
(Paise/Kwh)

Sl. No.	Name of the State	Hydro	Thermal	Average
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Haryana	23.14	267.66	41.04
2.	Karnataka	43.46	343.83*	260.09

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

1	2	3	4	5
3.	Orissa	—	118.89	—
4.	Himachal Pradesh	112.75	—	112.75
5.	Meghalaya	86.01	—	86.01
6.	Andhra Pradesh	36.31	179.31	141.73
7.	West Bengal	357.99	157.59	187.63
8.	Tamil Nadu	23.89	187.18	149.44
9.	Maharashtra	44.95	133.09	124.70
10.	Punjab	46.86	208.79	154.97
11.	Gujarat	129.71	172.53	171.65

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Agreement With SEBs

2590. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU. Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to enter into agreements with State Electricity Boards throughout the country for payment guarantees for drawing power from " national power distribution agencies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the views of SEBs on such agreements have been obtained; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The Government of India has recently approved a modified scheme to sccuritisc the outstanding dues payable by the State Electricity Boards (SEBs) to the Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs) as on 30.9.2001 for supply of power and coal and a mechanism that would ensure payment of current dues in future. The scheme for sccuritisation of